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SUBJECT: SYMPOSIUM ON BATTLEFIELD SURVEILLANCE AND TARGET
ACQUISITION IN THE EUROPEAN ENVIRONMENT

SECDEF FOR ODDR&E (TAC SARFARE-CAPT CARRIER AND OAD/EWR-MR
GREINKE) AND OASD (I&L)-INTL PROG(MR C FRANKE). SECSTATE FOR
EUR/RPM (MESSRS REHFELD, O'BRIEN AND DOBRIN).

REFS: A. USNATO 3566, DTG 271730Z JUL 73

B. AC/259-D/339 (ALSO CIRCULATED AS NIAG (73)D/9) DRAFT,
NOT DATED.

1. BEGIN SUMMARY. A NATO DOCUMENT HAS BEEN PREPARED
WHICH CLARIFIES THE RELATIONSHIP OF NATO TO THE PLANNED SYMPO-
SIUM ON BATTLEFIELD SURVEILLANCE AND TARGET ACQUISITION IN THE
EUROPEAN ENVIRONMENT (SHORT TITLE: SURSYPMP). TEXT IS TRANS-
MITTED FOR ODDR&E REVIEW AND APPROVAL OR COMMENT. END SUMMARY.

2. AS STATED IN REF A, THE ASST SEC GEN FOR DEFENCE SUPPORT (DR.
TUCKER, ASSISTED BY MR. KRUSE) HAS PREPARED A DOCUMENT(REF B)
WHICH CLARIFIES THE MARCH CNAD LANGUAGE RELATIVE TO THE SURSYPMP
CURRENTLY BEING PROMOTED BY THE US ELECTRONICS INDUSTRIES ASSOCI-
ATION (EIA). ALTHOUGH STILL IN DRAFT FORM, TEXT IS NOT EXPECTED
TO CHANGE IN FINAL DOCUMENT. TEXT FOLLOWS.
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CLARIFICATION OF A DECISION TAKEN BY THE NATIONAL DIRECTORS DURING
CNAD MEETING ON 21ST-22ND MARCH, 1973.

AT THE LAST MEETING OF THE CNAD THE NADS TOOK THE FOLLOWING

DECISION(1):

QUOTE. AGREED THAT SPONSORSHIP OF THIS SYMPOSIUM BY THE CNAD OF THE NIAG WOULD NOT BE APPROPRIATE, BUT THAT THERE WAS NO OBJECTION TO PARTICIPATION BY THE MEMBERS OF NIAG. UNQUOTE.

FOLLOWING DISCUSSION IN THE NIAG IT HAS BECOME APPARENT THAT THIS BRIEF DECISION NEEDS TO BE CLARIFIED AND MADE MORE SPECIFIC TO REFLECT THE ACTUAL DISCUSSION THAT TOOK PLACE DURING THE CONFERENCE AND THE INTENT OF THE ARMAMENTS DIRECTORS REGARDING THE PROPOSED SYMPOSIUM.

THE NIAG, AND SUBSEQUENTLY THE CNAD, APPROVED THAT SUCH A SYMPOSIUM BE HELD. THE CNAD DECIDED NOT TO QUOTE SPONSOR UNQUOTE THE SYMPOSIUM BECAUSE IT CONSIDERED THAT SPONSORSHIP, PARTICULARLY THE LEGAL AND FINANCIAL ASPECTS, SHOULD NOT IN THIS CASE BE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF NATO. HOWEVER, NATO MORAL SUPPORT, CERTAIN ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT FROM THE NATO NATIONS AND THE INTERNATIONAL STAFF AND PARTICIPATION BY SEVERAL MEMBERS OF THE NIAG WILL BE PROVIDED.

DISCUSSION OF SUBJECTS CLASSIFIED UP TO NATO SECRET IS PERMITTED AND THE REVIEW OF NATO DOCUMENTS UP TO THAT LEVEL OF SECURITY CLASSIFICATION IS AUTHORIZED, PROVIDED THAT:

- (A) EACH ATTENDEE POSSESSES NATO SECRET CLEARANCE;
- (B) DOCUMENTS MADE AVAILABLE FOR USE IN THE SYMPOSIUM HAVE BEEN PROCESSED IN ACCORDANCE WITH NATO SECURITY PROCEDURE AND THE QUOTE NEED-TO-KNOW UNQUOTE IS APPROVED BY THE APPROPRIATE AUTHORITIES;
- (C) PROPRIETARY RIGHTS ARE PROPERLY ANNOTATED AND TREATED IN A MANNER ACCEPTABLE TO THE OWNERS OF SUCH RIGHTS.

THIS SYMPOSIUM WOULD HAVE BEEN HELD IN CONFERENCE ROOMS AT NATO HEADQUARTERS HAD THE CONFERENCE ROOM CAPACITY BEEN ADEQUATE FOR THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE EXPECTED TO PARTICIPATE. AS THIS IS UNCLASSIFIED

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NOT SO, ARRANGEMENTS HAVE THEREFORE BEEN MADE FOR THE RENTAL OF AN ADEQUATE AUDITORIUM IN THE BRUSSELS PALAIS DE CENTENAIRE. SECURITY OFFICIALS OF THE NATO INTERNATIONAL STAFF HAVE ALREADY APPROVED THE USE OF THIS AUDITORIUM FOR DISCUSSIONS OF A CLASSIFIED NATURE. THESE OFFICIALS WILL TAKE ON THE RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE NECESSARY SECURITY SAFEGUARDS INCLUDING THE PROVISION OF SECURITY GUARDS. SIMULTANEOUS FRENCH AND ENGLISH LANGUAGE INTERPRETATION WILL BE PROVIDED BY INTERPRETERS OF THE NATO INTERNATIONAL STAFF AND FACILITIES FOR FOUR ADDITIONAL LANGUAGES ARE AVAILABLE SHOULD NATIONS WISH TO PROVIDE INTERPRETERS. ANY COSTS OF THE SERVICES OF SECURITY GUARDS, ALL SPECIAL EQUIPMENT AND INTERPRETERS WILL BE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE ORGANIZERS OF THE SYMPOSIUM.

IT IS THE INTENTION OF THE ORGANIZERS THAT THIS SYMPOSIUM BE A TRULY INTERNATIONAL ONE AND NOT DOMINATED BY ANY ONE COUNTRY. FOR THIS REASON, IT IS EXPECTED THAT SEVERAL OF THE NATO NATIONS AND THEIR INDUSTRIES WILL PARTICIPATE ON A CONSIDERABLE SCALE. FURTHERMORE, IT IS EXPECTED THAT SEVERAL OF THE NATIONAL ELECTRONICS INDUSTRIES ASSOCIATIONS WILL QUOTE CO-SPONSOR UNQUOTE THE SYMPOSIUM AND THEREBY SHARE THE LEGAL AND FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITIES.

WHILE A SYMPOSIUM OF THIS PARTICULAR NATURE MAY NOT HAVE A PRECISE PRECEDENT, SIMILAR SYMPOSIA ON A NATIONAL OR LIMITED INTERNATIONAL BASIS HAVE TAKEN PLACE WITH CONSIDERABLE SUCCESS. CONTRIBUTIONS OF A TECHNICAL NATURE WILL BE PROVIDED BY THE INDUSTRIES, THE VARIOUS MINISTRIES OF DEFENCE AND INDIVIDUAL TECHNICAL EXPERTS. PARTICIPATION BY SHAPE AND THE NATIONAL MILITARY AUTHORITIES WILL BE SOLICITED AND IT IS HOPED THAT THE DEGREE OF PARTICIPATION AND COOPERATION BY ALL OF THESE GROUPS WILL BE SUBSTANTIAL. FOR EXAMPLE, A REVIEW OF MILITARY REQUIREMENTS IN THE SUBJECT FIELD WILL BE NECESSARY IN ORDER FOR INDUSTRIES TO RESPOND MEANINGFULLY.

IN THE INTEREST OF FURTHERING COOPERATION IN NATO RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT PRODUCTION AND LOGISTICS THE CNAD AND NATO INTERNATIONAL STAFF SUPPORT THE PROPOSED SYMPOSIUM AND ENCOURAGE THE NATIONAL AUTHORITIES TO PARTICIPATE TO THE FULLEST PRACTICAL EXTENT.

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THE ORGANIZERS OF THE SYMPOSIUM WILL HAVE SOME LATITUDE IN THEIR PUBLICITY. THIS HAS BEEN DISCUSSED WITH NATO LEGAL ADVISER WHO HAS ADVISED THAT CNAD PREFERRED THAT THE WORD QUOTE SPONSORSHIP UNQUOTE NOT BE ASSOCIATED WITH NATO OR ITS COMMITTEES. THE INDUSTRIES, THROUGH THEIR ASSOCIATIONS, MUST TAKE FULL RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE LEGAL AND FINANCIAL ASPECTS OF SPONSORSHIP. THIS, THEREFORE, CANNOT BE CALLED A SYMPOSIUM UNDER NATO SPONSORSHIP BUT THE LEGAL ADVISER RECOMMENDS THAT SUCH TERMS AS QUOTE UNDER THE AUSPICES OF NATO UNQUOTE, QUOTE IN COLLABORATION WITH NATO AUTHORITIES UNQUOTE, OR QUOTE WITH THE ASSISTANCE OF THE NATO INTERNATIONAL STAFF UNQUOTE WOULD BE ACCEPTABLE.

THE NADREPS ARE INVITED TO CONSIDER THIS CLARIFICATION AND GIVE APPROVAL AND/OR COMMENTS ON BEHALF OF THEIR NATIONAL ARMAMENTS DIRECTORS. THEY ARE ALSO INVITED TO CONSIDER THIS PAPER AS A RESPONSE TO THE COMMITMENT GIVEN TO THE ASST SEC GEN FOR DEFENCE SUPPORT TO EXAMINE THE IMPLICATIONS OF NATO SPONSORSHIP FOR SYMPOSIA (AC/259-DS/11(FINAL), ITEM III(B)(10). SIGNED GARDINER L. TUCKER.

(1) DECISION SHEET AC/259-DS/11(FINAL), PAGE 13, ITEM III(B)(9).
END OF TEXT.

3. COMMENT. THE US NADREP (COL LYNCH) PARTICIPATED IN THE DRAFTING OF THIS DOCUMENT. BASICALLY, IT CONTAINS THE ELEMENTS APPARENTLY ESSENTIAL TO ACCEPTANCE OF THE SURSYMP CONCEPT BY THE UK. MISSION RECOMMENDS APPROVAL WITHOUT CHANGE. REQUEST APPROVAL OR COMMENTS ON BEHALF OF THE US NATIONAL ARAMENTS DIRECTOR BY 10 AUG 73. NEXT NADREP MEETING AT WHICH THIS DOCUMENT WILL LIKELY BE DISCUSSED IS SCHEDULED FOR 13 AUG 73.
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